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Allocation of State Matching Assistance Funds to the Counties

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COUNTY ENGINEERS/SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS

Attached is a list by county of allocation of state matching assistance funds for FFY 04.

This year the formula for distribution of the \$4.0 million in state matching assistance is based on 57% federal funding and 43% local match. This matching ratio is variable each year and is generated to result in utilization of the entire state matching assistance amount. All counties with a shortfall under this formula receive full funding of the shortfall.

A more detailed explanation of the state matching assistance program is attached.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact your district office.

Sincerely,

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STATE MATCHING ASSISTANCE

The State Matching Assistance Program is designed to assist counties in matching federal funds when the county cannot derive sufficient matching funds from local taxation. Counties receive a Surface Transportation Program Rural (STR) allotment which may be used to fund up to 80% of eligible project costs. Counties are allowed to levy a Federal-aid matching tax to use for the local share. Although a 80/20 federal/ local matching ratio is allowable for STR projects, a lower matching ratio is judged to be more equitable when determining the need for matching funds because the counties receive other Federal-aid funds (e.g. HBRRP, STU) in addition to STR funds that require a local match. Some counties do not have a sufficient tax base to generate the local funds needed for the match. The State Matching Assistance Program of \$4 million per year addresses this problem.

The county is required to levy a Federal-aid matching tax of at least .045% to be eligible for assistance. To receive the maximum amount it is required to have a tax rate of .05%. If the rate is .045%, the allocation is 90% of the maximum. If the rate is between .045% and .05%, the assistance is prorated. If the rate falls below .045%, the county may retain its eligibility for assistance if a permanent transfer of funds from a non-highway fund to the Federal-aid Matching Tax Fund is made to meet the equivalent of the minimum eligibility threshold.

The maximum assistance amount for each county is established as the difference between the amount required to match the county's STR allotment using a computer generated federal/local matching ratio and the funds generated by the county's Federal-aid matching tax. This matching ratio is variable each year and is generated to result in utilization of the entire State Matching Assistance amount. All counties with a shortfall under this formula receive full funding of the shortfall.

The amount of funds received by each county will vary from year to year. The variable amount of STR funds available each year and the local Equalized Assessed Valuation (EAV) as provided by the Department of Revenue have a direct correlation on the amount of funds to be disbursed based on shortfall. As an example, when the STR allotment increases, the poorer counties will have a greater need for additional match. Conversely, when the STR allotment decreases, the poorer counties will not have a need to match as much federal funding and therefore will require less state matching assistance funds.

State matching funds may be used for any federal-aid project.

<u>Commitment of Funds:</u> If a county so desires, it may use its accumulated matching funds to defray any part or the entire non-federal portion of any local federal-aid project regardless of the Federal matching percentage. The State matching assistance may be committed as a lump-sum amount or as a percentage of the project cost not to exceed the current available State Match allotment for the county.

<u>Anticipation:</u> There can be no anticipation of State matching funds. In other words, no county can commit more State matching assistance funds to a project than it has available at the time of letting. However, existing agreements for active projects may be amended to increase the amount of State Matching Assistance when it becomes available.

COUNTY CODE	COUNTY	STP RURAL ALLOTMENT	STATEMATCH
001	ADAMS	345,350.69	0.00
003	ALEXANDER	118,970.05	70,193.91
005	BOND	164,912.00	63,108.14
007	BOONE	145,159.18	0.00
009	BROWN	124,296.65	70,029.24
011	BUREAU	332,700.01	19,147.09
013	CALHOUN	99,883.05	53,278.97
015	CARROLL	199,534.92	30,579.29
017	CASS	138,944.81	52,221.40
019	CHAMPAIGN	445,446.45	0.00
021	CHRISTIAN	278,546.21	15,510.18
023	CLARK	228,831.24	99,491.62
025	CLAY	182,667.34	85,812.82
027	CLINTON	285,648.34	52,999.15
029	COLES	207,746.77	0.00
031	COOK	0.00	0.00
033	CRAWFORD	191,545.02	38,593.80
035	CUMBERLAND	165,133.94	79,549.28
037	DEKALB	282,319.22	0.00
039	DEWITT	162,692.58	0.00
041	DOUGLAS	215,292.79	32,469.65
043	DUPAGE	0.00	0.00
045	EDGAR	222,838.81	55,284.87
047	EDWARDS	108,538.78	57,729.88
049	EFFINGHAM	240,150.27	0.00
051	FAYETTE	267,671.06	127,760.06
053	FORD	209,966.19	66,076.81
055	FRANKLIN	228,609.30	66,745.78
057	FULTON	319,161.56	82,642.12
059	GALLATIN	124,962.47	63,945.58

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061	GREENE	212,185.61	94,853.71
063	GRUNDY	229,275.12	0.00
065	HAMILTON	174,677.44	93,147.52
067	HANCOCK	310,061.94	125,004.43
069	HARDIN	83,681.30	48,311.84
071	HENDERSON	147,822.48	64,459.95
073	HENRY	328,927.00	0.00
075	IROQUOIS	424,140.03	125,499.28
077	JACKSON	251,913.19	0.00
079	JASPER	196,871.62	48,580.63
081	JEFFERSON	268,780.77	52,921.89
083	JERSEY	165,133.94	10,864.15
085	JODAVIESS	245,032.99	0.00
087	JOHNSON	154,924.62	81,789.39
089	KANE	0.00	0.00
091	KANKAKEE	315,166.61	0.00
093	KENDALL	286,092.23	0.00
095	KNOX	286,092.23	0.00
097	LAKE	0.00	0.00
099	LASALLE	491,832.29	0.00
101	LAWRENCE	185,996.47	94,032.33
103	LEE	284,538.64	0.00
105	LIVINGSTON	409,713.82	64,304.26
107	LOGAN	242,369.69	0.00
115	MACON	228,831.24	0.00
117	MACOUPIN	396,397.31	99,123.43
119	MADISON	308,508.35	0.00
121	MARION	241,925.81	52,161.12
123	MARSHALL	174,011.61	46,069.33
125	MASON	217,734.15	87,355.68

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127	MASSAC	116,306.74	17,815.74
109	MCDONOUGH	231,050.66	31,128.51
111	MCHENRY	0.00	0.00
113	MCLEAN	468,528.40	0.00
129	MENARD	150,263.84	25,217.98
131	MERCER	231,050.66	84,716.51
133	MONROE	156,700.15	0.00
135	MONTGOMERY	303,625.63	79,309.83
137	MORGAN	215,292.79	0.00
139	MOULTRIE	168,906.95	35,907.42
141	OGLE	375,312.84	0.00
143	PEORIA	285,870.29	0.00
145	PERRY	166,465.59	57,638.11
147	PIATT	186,218.41	6,589.81
149	PIKE	295,413.78	145,314.26
151	POPE	119,191.99	68,897.73
153	PULASKI	102,990.23	65,153.90
155	PUTNAM	89,007.90	17,860.16
157	RANDOLPH	262,566.40	49,609.17
159	RICHLAND	152,261.32	42,228.23
161	ROCK ISLAND	176,009.09	0.00
165	SALINE	187,328.12	62,023.66
167	SANGAMON	365,103.51	0.00
169	SCHUYLER	159,585.40	87,403.31
171	SCOTT	106,763.25	49,920.36
173	SHELBY	316,498.26	109,262.84
163	ST CLAIR	274,551.25	0.00
175	STARK	121,855.29	44,058.71
177	STEPHENSON	257,239.79	0.00
179	TAZEWELL	275,217.08	0.00

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181	UNION	161,360.93	60,442.12
183	VERMILION	340,689.91	0.00
185	WABASH	97,441.69	24,488.94
187	WARREN	197,537.45	37,405.70
189	WASHINGTON	223,282.70	94,856.65
191	WAYNE	258,349.50	137,082.58
193	WHITE	197,759.39	94,019.19
195	WHITESIDE	329,148.94	0.00
197	WILL	0.00	0.00
199	WILLIAMSON	257,683.68	0.00
201	WINNEBAGO	213,517.26	0.00
203	WOODFORD	300,075.74	0.00
	FINAL TOTALS	22,194,181.00	4,000,000.00